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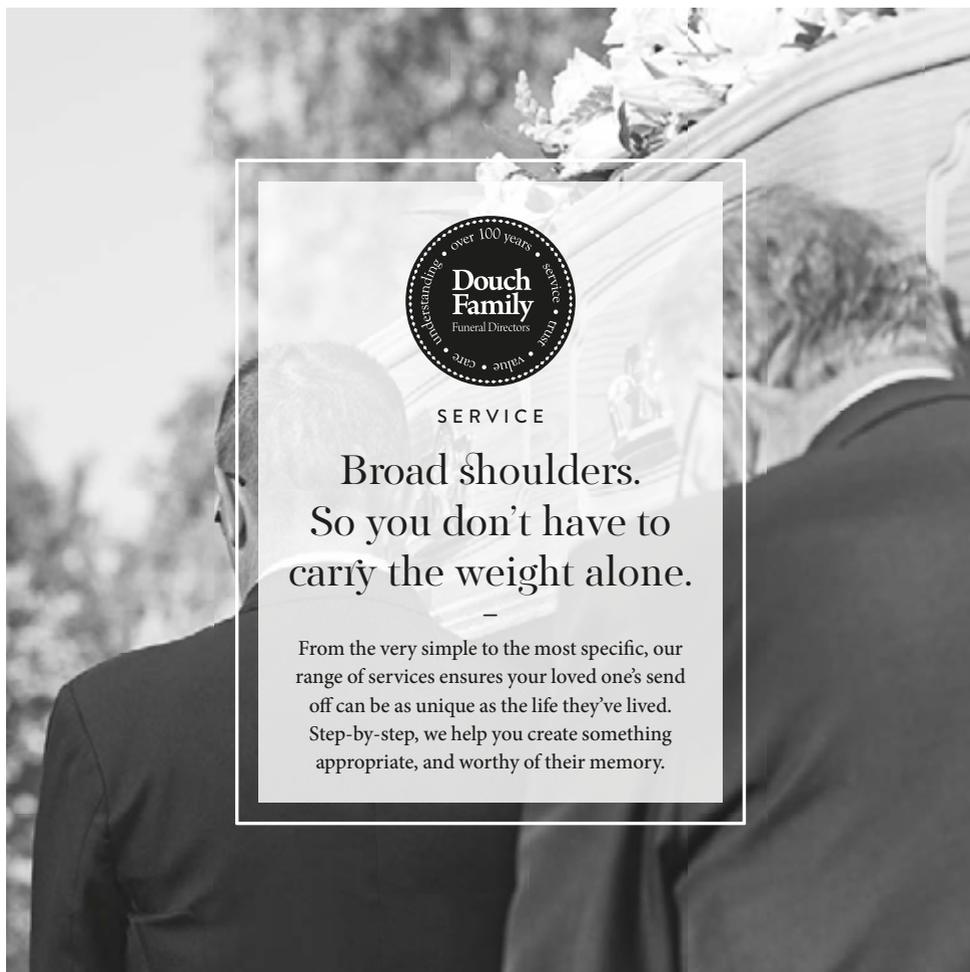
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Preferably items should be e-mailed to **corfevalleynews@tiscali.co.uk**

Items received after the 15th may not be printed until the next issue

Editorial

Everybody at the Corfe Valley News wishes all our readers a very Happy Christmas. There are lots of events happening in the village over the Christmas period. Most of them are advertised throughout this copy of the magazine.

On page 11 and 12 there is a questionnaire about the proposal for a 20 mile an hour speed limit. Please fill in the questionnaire, tear the page out of the magazine and return it to one of the places listed – mainly shops in the village. The Parish Council needs to have a decent response about the issue if they are to get Dorset council to agree to any speed limit; it is therefore important that as many people as possible respond to the questionnaire. Alternatively, of course, if there isn't good support the idea will obviously be dropped. Please all respond.

A huge thank you to everybody involved with the production of the CVN, be it editing, contributing, delivering, or any other way. Without you all it just would not happen. If there's anybody out there who would like to become involved, please get in touch with one of the people listed on Page 3.

Stephen

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(There are more in the middle of the magazine)

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NOVEMBER 2023 FOR CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL

20mph: Have your say. It is important that no matter your views, you register your opinion with the Parish Council. Dorset Council criteria states community engagement and show of desire for or against a 20mph scheme, must be proven for any application to be considered. You will find a survey and how to respond in this issue of the CVN,

Become a Parish Councillor. It can be very rewarding being a councillor – having the chance to make a real contribution to your community. You do not have to hold certain qualifications for be experienced in a specific role, you just need to be passionate about representing the community you live or work in. If you think you may be interest pop along to the next Parish Council meeting and listen in, or call the clerk for more details.

National Trust: In October Corfe Castle Parish Council welcomed back James Gould, plus were joined by Mark Singleton the Countryside Manager (Purbeck) for the National Trust. Mark gave a verbal update on Swift boxes within the Castle, the Common's Committee & entanglement of deer within the new fencing on the Purbeck Heaths National Nature Reserve. Full details can be found in the draft November minutes published early December on the Corfe Castle Parish Council website.

Dorset Council: Corfe Castle Parish Council received an email regarding Purbeck Park footpath to Corfe Castle stating “We will shortly be engaging our consultants to carry out an options appraisal to make sure that we have considered all other viable options so we can be certain of the best route to be taken forward. “With this in mind Corfe Castle Parish Council will write and formally ask two Parish Councillors be invited to meet with the Consultants to offer local knowledge of the area.

Corfe Castle Parish Council received an email regarding car park full signage stating: “In principle, electronic signs for parking sound sensible, but we couldn't sign people to the Park & Ride until there's an accessible walking route established between the Purbeck Park and the village. The messages and sign would also have to meet highway regulations, the location on the highway will need to be agreed, as will the predetermined messages on the sign. The Traffic Signals team will work with you on this.” With this in mind Corfe Castle Parish Council will contact Cllr Brooks & a representative of the Traffic Signal Team to start engagement regarding electronic signage.

Planning: The following applications have been received by Corfe Castle Parish Council, for full details including proposed works please see the Dorset Council website:

Application No: P/HOU/2023/04658, **Location:** Pennys Cottages West Street BH20 5HB, Small extension to the rear. **Recommendation:** No objection.

Application No: P/PABA/2023/05895, **Location:** A E S Fry and Son Kingston Barn Farm Langton Road BH20 5LR Cover for a silage tank. **Recommendation:** No objection.

Application No: P/HOU/2023/05836, **Location:** The Old School House Corfe Road BH20 5DT Various small extensions. **Recommendation:** No objection.

Application No: P/HOU/2023/06192, **Location:** Langton Wallis New Lane BH20 5DX Provision of toilet and washing facilities in two extensions to the rear. **Recommendation:** No objection.

Full details for all planning applications can be found on the Dorset Council website, <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/planning-buildings-land/planning>

Budget and Council Tax 24-25: The Council had its first review of the proposed estimates prepared by the Clerk. A recommendation on the budget and its implications for Council tax will be made at the next meeting

Next Council Meeting: Monday 11th December 2023, at 7pm in the Corfe Castle Village Hall, Bill Carter Room. To start the meeting is a public half hour, so please come and join us and have your say.

Parish Council contact details: *(Please remember to give permission for your details to be shared with Councillors)*

Clerk: Michelle Harrington, **Telephone:** 01202 670105,

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Environmental Group Update



At our November meeting, Anna Philps, and DofE Gold volunteer Will, kindly joined us to tell us about the charity Sustrans.



Sustrans works for and with communities, helping them come to life by walking, wheeling and cycling to create healthier places and happier lives for everyone. Anna advised that Sustrans is the custodian of the National Cycle Network, a network of signed cycle routes and paths across the county. Here in Purbeck we are on Route 2, a long distance route stretching from St Austell in Cornwall to Dover in Kent. You may have seen the blue signs for this route locally.

Anna's work is funded by the Dorset Council via the Bike It Project, so she is mainly focused on cycling, and getting Dorset children cycling. Anna and Will described the work that they both get involved in, which includes visiting schools and attending events to talk about the charity, demonstrating and carrying out bicycle maintenance and repairs (Dr Bike), teaching children how to ride bikes and leading cycle rides. They also use the ever-popular smoothie bike, and children enjoy drinking the smoothies and milkshakes this makes!

Anna described the benefits to people's physical and mental health, as well as the benefits to the environment, from cycling. Using a bicycle to travel can also be better for your wallet than other modes of transport, once you've paid for the bike.



There was also an interactive session talking about the barriers to people cycling and how to overcome some of them, and to finish a Q&A session. **Many thanks to Anna and Will!**

Our Next Get-Togethers

We have decided that, as quite a few people are not available for the December meeting, our next meeting will be in January. Emily House, who came to Anna's talk, has offered to speak to us about her **Smiling Seas project**, and the work she has been doing at Kimmeridge Bay. This will be on **Thursday 18th January, 7.15 for 7.30.**

On 22nd February Luke and Tom are going presenting about nature-based initiatives involving children and young people in Purbeck, and on 21st March David and Chris are going to talk about their adventures in Antarctica (and possibly Madagascar too!).

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Get in touch: Parish Clerk (Michelle) - environmentgroup@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk

Facebook: "Corfe Castle Environmental Group"

Core Members: Josey, Helen, Tom, David, Richard & Luke

Who to Contact When:

If you have a problem, do you know who best to call to help deal with the issue? If not don't worry, the contacts below may help you.

My bin was not emptied:

Self Service Portal - <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/bins-recycling-and-litter/report-a-bin-problem/missed-bin-collection>

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To report a pothole

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To report an overgrown hedge, tree or verge onto the highway

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To report a problem on a road or pavement

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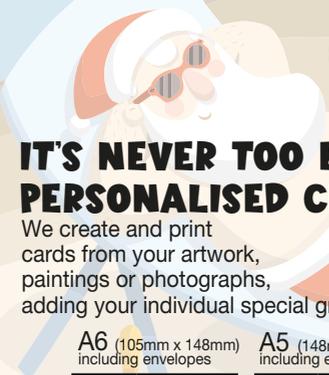
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CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL SURVEY

Corfe Castle Parish Council is considering applying to Dorset Council for a reduced speed limit of 20mph in Corfe Castle village. It is vital that we know whether there is sufficient support in the parish. Also, it is important that your views are heard. To this end, could you please take a few moments to answer the questions below, and then return this survey paper using one of the methods listed.

1. *Do you think Corfe Castle needs a reduced vehicle speed of 20mph in the village?*

<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO	COMMENTS. (Continuation sheet overleaf)
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2. *If it is not possible to get the speed limit reduced to 20mph in the whole of the village, which parts do you think should be prioritised?*

COMMENTS. (Continuation sheet overleaf)
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Your details

NAME (Optional)	ADDRESS (or location in the Parish e.g. West St, Kingston etc.)
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Continued overleaf:

What to do now.

Thank you for taking the time to respond, the information you have provided will enable the parish council to make an informed decision on the next step. Could you now please either:

- a. Drop your completed survey document into a **survey box in one of the village stores.**
- b. Scan your completed survey document and send it via email to **20mph@corfecastleparishcouncil.gov.uk**
- c. Go online and fill in a digital version of the survey document at <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/7HKBBDC>

QUESTION 1 COMMENTS - Continuation

QUESTION 2 COMMENTS - Continuation

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Church Knowle Parish Council - November Meeting

The November meeting of the Church Knowle Parish Council took place in the Church Knowle Village Hall on Tuesday 14th November at 6:30pm. It was attended by six members of the Council (Cllr Burt in the chair) and five members of the public.

The main items of interest in the meeting were:

Public Discussion

Kath Best of Church Knowle Farm asked about progress in providing a right of way across a strip of their land to allow the gravediggers access for a small excavator to dig graves in the cemetery.

The clerk undertook to have the appropriate paperwork prepared and sent for her approval.

Members of the public asked that the minutes and agendas be displayed on the website and notice boards in better time.

Objections to the proposed new entrance to the mushroom field (P/FUL/2023/05723) were discussed at length.

Vacancies on the Parish Council

There are still two vacancies on the Parish Council which has a full strength of nine and any interested parishioners can apply to clerk@churchknowle-pc.gov.uk. No applications have been received this month.

Neighbourhood Plan

The application for the next tranche of grant is being processed. There are outstanding alterations that need to be submitted if the grant is to go through.

Planning

Two applications were received for consideration:

P/FUL/2023/05723 – Mushroom Field, Furzebrook Road, Stoborough.
Create new access from Furzebrook Road

There was much discussion on this application given that there is already access to the field through Furzebrook Farm and the problems with flooding along this section of the road.

The Council resolved to support this application with the note that adequate provision must be made for the management of surface water. Voting was 1 For, 5 Abstentions.

P/TRC/2023/05929 – Jubilee Cottage. Work on Ash tree.

This was for essential management of an Ash that was obviously suffering the effects of Ash die-back and the Council recognised the necessity of the work.

Highways

Winter Salt. There has been a stockpile of this kindly stored at Imerys. The Chairman undertook to inspect this and arrange for replenishment if needed.

Blocked Drains. The poor state of many of the Highways culverts and drainage pipes was noted that has led to the roads being flooded. These are mainly blocked by roots that have worked their way into the pipes through cracks. The consequent flooding of the roads

Other Business

Grants – Dorset Council have a new round of Community and Culture grants available. The Council resolved to submit an application for funding to repair the stone footbridge crossing the stream on the footpath leading south from the Church Knowle Village Hall.

The sighting of an otter (dead) was reported by a parishioner and research shows that these creatures have returned to the area.

The repairs to the East Creech notice board kindly undertaken by the Wareham Mens Shed are nearly complete and the board should be back in place soon.

Tenders

The recent Playing Field inspection recommended that the wooden elements be treated with preservative. Tenders are therefore being sought for treating all of the timber at the playing field with an approved preservative. The timber will have to be sanded to remove any splinters first. Apply to the Clerk at clerk@churchknowle-pc.gov.uk for details.

The November meeting finished at 7:47 pm. The next meeting of the Church Knowle Parish Council will be at the Furzebrook Village Hall at 6:30 on 12th December.

Leaky dams slow the flow!

The National Trust is beginning a programme of wetland restoration across Purbeck, starting on Corfe Common. Wetlands are incredibly important as habitats for wildlife, as well as filtering pollution, preventing flooding and storing carbon.

Over the past century, an estimated 90% of UK wetland habitats have been lost. In Purbeck, many wetlands have been drained or left with little biodiversity. Sadly, Swan Brook in Swanage and the Corfe River have both been classified as in 'poor' condition by the Environment Agency.



Restored wetland



Southern Damsel fly

The first project begins on Big East Common in Corfe this winter. The aim is to fill in drainage channels to recreate a more natural floodplain.



Marsh Gentian

Some trees will be thinned to let light through and allow other aquatic plants to grow. This will benefit many species, including the beautiful, but highly endangered, southern damsel fly.

In other areas of the common, volunteers will create small-scale leaky dams. These slow the flow of streams and trap sediment, storing more water in the landscape.

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Corfe Castle Surgery

I can't quite believe we are at this point in the year, but it's already December!

The next big thing in the calendar is Christmas. Please remember to allow extra time between ordering and collecting your medication during the busy weeks before Christmas. The dispensary staff will try and accommodate all medication requests made but please do not order any earlier than you need to or request additional medication unnecessarily as we have limited time and space.

Our Christmas opening hours;

We will close at 6.30pm on Friday 22nd December and **reopen at 8.00am** on Wednesday 27th December.

We will also be closed on Monday 1st January and **reopen at 8.00am** on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.

During these times (and whenever the surgery is closed), you can call 111 for any non-emergency requirements. For any life-threatening emergency requirements, call 999 and ask for the ambulance service.

We would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Kerry Norman
Practice Manager

Patient Participation Group

With many thanks to our PPG member Professor Howard Thomas who has organised some varied and interesting health talks for our Surgery population and the wider community.

The last, held in mid-October, attracted a wide audience to hear a helpful and informative talk by Dr Anjee Shah from University Hospitals Dorset entitled "Getting to know your skin".

Anjee has local family connections and was delighted to share her passion for and her extensive knowledge of the biggest organ in the body -the skin- the waterproof wrapping for our entire body! Anjee reminded us to use sun screen regularly and suggested that we tend to wash too often!

We plan to hold further health talks in the New Year and would welcome ideas for future topics. Parkinsons Disease is one area we will be highlighting

as across the 3 local practices (Swanage , Corfe and Wareham) there are nearly 100 patients affected by this debilitating condition.

Sending my best wishes for Christmas time and grateful thanks to the Corfe Surgery Team for looking after us so well .

Maggie Hardy, PPG Chair (Corfecastlesurgeryppg@gmail.com)



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A stone is a stone....

...until it talks back. I spotted this inscription on a pavement in Blandford about a year ago. Prior to that I had spent almost 30 years not listening to the stones that I uncovered while gardening. Since then, however, I have been listening to the story which they have to tell.

Last summer (2022) my son and I dug an archaeological test pit in our garden and discovered that the soil contains rather a lot of chippings of Purbeck marble. This is a particular type of Purbeck stone which occurs in a narrow band between Peveril Point in Swanage and Worbarrow Tout near Tyneham. It consists entirely of the densely packed fossilised remains of innumerable small freshwater snails, and comes in a range of colours – red, green, blue and grey, and can be highly polished. Purbeck marble was highly sought after as a decorative architectural material in medieval times and huge quantities were quarried, carved and distributed throughout England and beyond and can still be found in many of the oldest and most prestigious cathedrals (and many local churches). All this activity generated a vast quantity of waste chippings and while the finished products such as coffin lids, effigies, fonts and mortars were distributed far and wide, the waste material almost certainly was not.

The earliest account of where some of the waste chippings ended up appears in Hutchin’s *History and Antiquities of Dorset* published in 1861. This notes that while “large mounds of refuse” could be found at the sites of 13th C quarries, “The extent to which the stone was wrought in the town (of Corfe Castle) itself may be gathered from the fact, that in many parts, particularly near the extremity of West Street, on penetrating the soil the rubbish from the masons’ banks is frequently found to be ten or twelve feet in thickness”. Dr Dru Drury’s 1948 paper “The use of Purbeck marble in mediaeval times” notes that this same deep layer of chippings was rediscovered when a water main was installed in the village in 1924. He speculated that one side of West Street was occupied by marblers’ “bankers” that generated all this waste material in the village. However, John Blair in his chapter on Purbeck Marble in the 1991 book *English Medieval Industries* took issue with this, suggesting instead that these chippings were not produced from marble being worked in the village, but were perhaps brought from the nearby quarries to make up the road. Trev Haysom’s recent book *Purbeck Stone* notes that there have been many discoveries of waste marble chippings close to old quarry sites but that there have been relatively

few discoveries of marble chippings or broken carvings in the village of Corfe Castle in recent years which he considered “odd”. So, having made an unexpected discovery of quite a lot of marble chippings in my garden in East Street last year I set about trying to find more.

I have since dug two or three bucketfuls of soil from each of 15 locations around the village (going not much deeper than needed to double dig a potato patch), sieved the soil to extract the stones, and then cleaned them to find which ones, if any, were marble chippings. This is what I discovered:

*Marble, marble every where
Echoes of the hammer’s “chink”
Marble, marble every where
Nor any font or sink.*

Extract from the **Rime of the Ancient Marbler** (with apologies to Samuel Taylor Coleridge)

In other words, I found marble chippings all around the village, but I only found small pieces, just a few of which showed signs of being worked, and not a single broken fragment of a recognisable object.

For the record, here are the results (in descending order).

Location	Total No. of stones sorted	No. of marble chips	% Purbeck marble
Corfe Castle Club, East Street	108	44	40.7%
Model Village, West Street	162	33	20.4%
72 East Street	78	15	19.2%
140 East Street	109	16	14.7%
138 East Street	95	12	12.6%
Corfe Castle Sports Field	111	13	11.7%
The Fox Inn, West Street	143	14	9.8%
Allotments West Street	253	23	9.1%
Corfe Castle Library, East Street	205	12	5.9%
Evangelical Congregational Church, East Street	173	7	4.0%
Corfe Castle Railway Station	94	2	2.1%

6a Halves Cottages	56	1	1.8%
Greyflete, Higher Filbank	168	2	1.2%
No 1 Battlemead	92	1	1.1%
16 Mead Road	105	1	1.0%
All combined	1,952	196	10.04%

So, plenty of Purbeck marble chippings, but in quite varying quantities, and nowhere did I find them in the form of a feet thick layer. Ben Pears, our resident geoarchaeologist, considers that the marble chippings in my garden had been spread there deliberately in an early form of so-called beneficial use whereby a waste material (from in this case stone working) was repurposed and put to good use to increase the depth, structure and drainage of soils for cultivation. It appears that this may have happened across much of the village. The question now is whether this waste material was carted all the way from the quarries to be spread about the gardens & fields in and around the village or whether it was produced from carving work in the village and then spread locally?

As someone very wise once wrote *"the hardest thing of all to see is what is really there"*. It took me nearly 30 years to see what was really in my garden. So, next time you do a bit of gardening, take a moment to see if Purbeck marble is really there too. If it is (and it probably will be if you live anywhere in Corfe



Castle), then you too could listen to the story of the stones that tells of the Ancient Marblers that first put Corfe Castle on the map nearly 800 hundred years ago. If/when you find some chippings you take a bit of time to polish

them up, they will be transformed from dull stones into decorative little objects.

This is a close-up of a newly polished Purbeck marble chipping (look at CVN online to see it in glorious technicolour).

Thanks to all of those who helped me find my marbles even though they probably thought I was losing them: Marcello Andrade, Bernard & Melissa Beresford, Dave Brown, Roy Ford, Denise & Colin Fuller, Ruth Milward, Sally Percy, Lucy Saunders, Gill & Peter Sellen, Mike & Sheila Spinney, Nick & Inge Squirrel, Celia Taylor.

Richard Caldow



Corfe Community Kitchen
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November saw us still making use of donated fruit to bolster our delicious crumbles and included an autumn pumpkin soup and clementine upside down pudding on our menu. We are always very grateful for the donations.

Our December Soup 'n Pud will be a Seasonal Special, so dig out your Christmas jumpers and hats etc to help make it feel festive! It will be on Sat. Dec. 2nd at 12.30pm straight after the Coffee Morning in the Village Hall, where there will be the expected tasty food and friendly chat accompanying the choice of soups, rolls, from the Village Bakery and puds, all with a Christmassy flavour. Please come and join in the fun. We will have our happy band of volunteers helping with serving etc, without whom we would be unable to manage, so many seasonal good wishes to them. We always welcome any extra in-date food or tins and make use of them wherever possible, to avoid waste, so please don't discard them, pass them to us!

Remember this is a free lunch but donations of money or food are always welcome.
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Happy Christmas from Chris, Sue and Gill.



Hello from all the staff at

Corfe Castle Community Pre School

Contact us at;

info@corfecastlepreschool.org.uk

www.corfecastlepreschool.org.uk

As I write this in early November I wonder, has anyone got their Christmas tree up yet or getting it ready??

At pre school we are busy getting ready for the children's Christmas play and party. It's always such an exciting time of year for them. We also love getting outside in the wind and rain to experience all the elements Autumn brings.

This year we are holding our Christmas Hamper Raffle again which always has some fantastic prizes. If you are able to donate something, we are always very grateful. This could be biscuits, mince pies, toiletries, chocolates, candy canes, cordial, wine etc...

We will be holding a Bingo night in January at the village hall. So, if you love a bit of bingo, make sure to read next months update for the date to get your dabbers out!!

Our Christmas holiday club is fully booked!! Thank you to all our wonderful families for making us such a popular setting. We have amazing children join us throughout pre-school and holiday club.

With that, I would like to say a very big THANK YOU to our wonderful pre-school staff;

Mo, Natalie, Mandy, Debbie & Abi

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Corfe Castle PTFA are here to support the primary school, and to help make every child's experience of school the best it can be and have some fun along the way!

Autumn Edition 2
2023

Some of you may well have heard some loud music coming from school on Friday 10th November, as we held our school disco, we split the event in two with reception class and year 1 going first and it was great to be joined by some preschoolers, followed by years 2,3,4,5 and 6. It was also great to see some ex pupils there helping too. Thanks to all the parents who helped without you we couldn't put on these events. I just hope they all enjoyed it as much as we did!

The PTFA wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy new year!

Up coming Events

Wine and cheese tasting	24/11/23 7pm
Christmas fair	1/12/23 3.15pm-5.30pm
Breakfast with Santa	5/12/23 & 6/12/23
Story time with Mrs Claus and a movie	7/12/23
Kids Christmas craft event	14/12/23
Coffee morning	20/12/23 Time to be confirmed

At the time of writing this we are in full swing with our Christmas planning. Christmas is always a special time for the PTFA. We love making special Christmas memories for the children! We started the festive activities with the Crazy4 Corfe 'kick off to Christmas' fair, adults and children alike seem to enjoy our Tombola and lucky dip! We also debuted our own range of personalised Christmas items. It was a great day and it was great to chat to some of the locals! We are starting our own Christmas activities with a wine and cheese night on the 24th November followed by our Christmas fair on the 1st December 3.15pm-5.30pm. We then concentrate on the children they have the chance to have Breakfast with Santa, have Mrs Claus read them a story, watch a wonderful Christmas movie and get crafty with a Christmas craft event. This year we don't stop when school breaks up either, we are holding a coffee morning on the 20th December which is open to all. Come along and join us for a cuppa and a mince pie!



Corfe Castle Primary School

Our children really enjoyed participating in the annual hammering in of the crosses down at the church around the base of Tommy. We always appreciate opportunities for our children to fully immerse themselves in their local community.

We have recently had several inspections since the start of the academic year. Please visit our school website to see the latest inspection reports from SIAMs and Ofsted.

Community Invite to the School:

On 8th December at 2:30pm, we would like to welcome the local community into school so that our choir can share their Christmas carols with you whilst serving you with tea and cake. We really hope you are able to join us for this occasion as we are looking forward to celebrating Christmas with the whole community.

Do you have a child starting school next September?

Feel free to email corfecastle.office@coastalpartnership.co.uk or call 01929 480428 for a personal tour of the school.

No question is a silly question when it comes to your child starting school. Feel free to ask anything or have a good look around. Thank you for your continued support.

The school vision: "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." 1 Peter 4:10

Please join us on Sunday 17th December at St Edward's Church, where our choir will join in with the annual Carol Service.

Thank you for all your continuing support, Miss Amy Howe (Headteacher) and Mr Robert Stoner (Deputy Headteacher) and the whole team at Corfe Castle Primary School.



7th November – Sheena Dearness Author & Writer

Sheena gave a very interesting talk on "Writing your Memoirs. She gave us pointers on how to prepare our work including childhood memories, various research methods which are available, birth and death certificates, photographs and questioning the family. However, the main reason for undertaking your memoirs is to write about yourself, so this can include your hobbies, fashion and trend setting and the environment that you lived in. The members spent some time working in small groups and it was very interesting to hear how they focused on many different subjects, including our teenage years, the food that we ate, to Christmas recollections and even bonfire night. She reiterated how it is very important to tell our own stories, so we can pass this on to future generations. We finished with a brief explanation from Sheena on how to write fiction and she based this on using our hand print. Every finger was given a title as a section of what subjects we should be putting in our stories. The thumb was the character, i.e., hero, heroine, index finger, location, middle finger, the plot line, ring finger, the story line or lines, and little finger, resolution. A very interesting way to map out a story. Tea and biscuits followed. Thank you, Sheena, for all your expertise.

5th December meeting

This will be Christmas decorations plus festive cakes and mulled wine, alcoholic and non-alcoholic.

New Members We are always looking for new members for our group. We are a friendly lot and apart from our once-a-month meeting, we have book groups, a luncheon group, strollers and walkers. If you want to come as a guest to one of our meetings, there is a small charge of £3.

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Santa's Sleigh will arrive in the square around 6 pm. Enjoy mulled wine and mince pies while you sing with your friends and family to celebrate the Christmas Season. For more information ring Liz on 480447.



Proceeds to Corfe Castle and Swanage and Purbeck Rotary good causes.

THANK YOU!

The Crazy4Corfe Kick-Off Christmas Fair

was a great success and thanks to your generosity we raised over £800 which will enable us to help the Corfe Castle Youth Club with their Christmas outing. It was great to see so many friendly faces contributing to the warm, happy, festive atmosphere. We would like to thank The Village Store, Seasons Green, The Sweet Shop, The Green Goat, Corfe Castle Primary School, The National Trust and all our other supporters and volunteers who helped make the day such a great success. We would like to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Peaceful 2024!



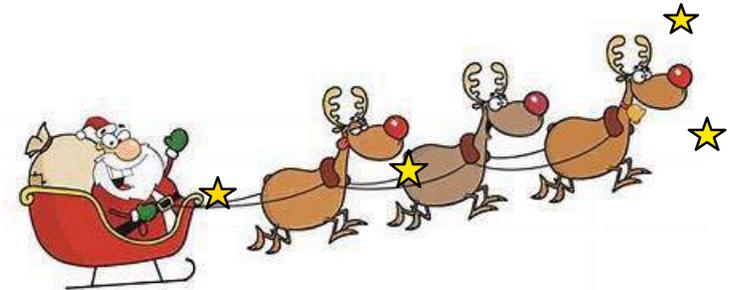
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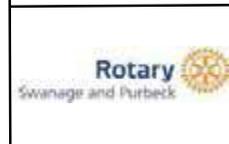


FRI. 15TH AND SAT. 16TH DECEMBER.

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Saturday 16th. 5 pm Santa's Sleigh will start at West Street turning circle and progress to the square.

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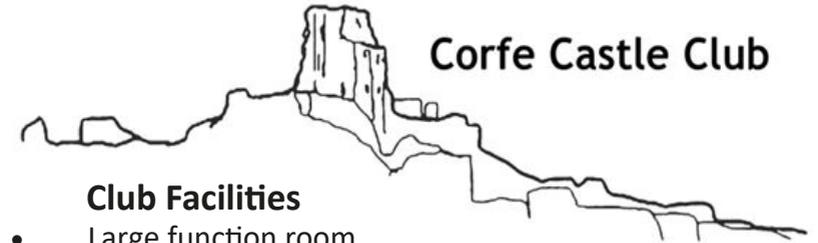
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Christmas tree.



2024 promises to be a busy year as we plan to join a project called "The Shaftesbury Tales" which will entail a walk & shows being put on along the Edward King & Martyr's route of pilgrimage from Corfe Castle to Shaftesbury. More details to follow!

As this will fill our time between March & July, we will start rehearsals for our main production in January - for the world premier of an explosive thriller set in wartime Purbeck



November 21st, 22nd & 23rd 2024

Corfe Castle Village Hall, East St, Corfe Castle, BH20 5EE

Read through & auditions January 8th & 15th at 7pm (till 9pm)

Rehearsals on Mondays in February, then during Aug, Sept, Oct & Nov.

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If you can't make those dates just let us know that you still want join in.

If you are looking for a new hobby and would be interested in joining our friendly safe group for any event, please contact

David (chairman – 01929 480007) or email

doubleactdramagroup@gmail.com, for more details.

New members of all ages and abilities are always welcome!



Manners And Customs Of The Natives Of Corfe Castle

Are there any customs peculiar to Corfe? If anyone knows of any, I would be delighted to hear about them. Please email mlouisehaywood@gmail.com

It is now customary on New Year's Eve to meet in The Square and when the church tower chimes midnight, dance and sing 'Auld Lang Syne'. Does anyone know when this began in Corfe?

There is the Shrove Tuesday ceremony when the Marblers hold their annual meeting in the Town Hall and elect a new member to their ancient order after certain rites have been performed.

And another interesting custom was this one mentioned in the West Kent Guardian dated 7th January 1854:

“At Corfe Castle, in Dorsetshire, a curious custom prevails at Christmas time. A man is dressed up in the skin of a bull, head, horns, and all. A ring is placed through the nostril of the bull's skin, to which is fastened a chain, and another man leads the one that is so disguised about. They enter every house and collect money. The man disguised bellows like a bull. This custom is a very ancient one.”

The article didn't mention what happened to the money after it was collected!
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Caring for Corfe Castle

By James Gould - Property Operations Manager, Corfe Castle

This month, we're beginning an exciting three year programme of conservation work across the castle and village.

The £1million investment in the village includes a number of re-roofing projects and maintenance of tenanted buildings, both commercial and privately rented.

As a Grade 1 scheduled ancient monument, the castle needs constant maintenance to ensure future generations are able to enjoy this amazing and historic ruin. Weathering, vegetation growth and climate change all have an effect on its condition and whilst we can do day-to-day repairs, we need skilled conservationists to undertake the full works. After a thorough selection process, a company called SSHC have been appointed.

James Preston of SSHC says “The 1,000-year-old mortar at Corfe Castle is awesome but needs a little bit of help to ensure it's preserved for generations to come. We will be using materials and methods which are similar to those used

by the original Medieval masons to retain the integrity of the joints”.

As we move into 2024 and towards the end of phase 1 we are hoping to hold an exhibition, located in Castle View,



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Corfe Castle Village Hall

general news:

Thanks to all those who attended the November VH Coffee Morning. £204.38 was raised for Village Hall funds.

The 100 club draw is made at the Coffee Morning. In November the first prize of £21 was won by member 45, with member 13 getting second prize £10 and member 23 winning the third prize £5. If you would like to become one of the many villagers who support their local village hall like this please contact Penny Barker on 01929 481477.

Two VH storage units are currently still available. For more details please contact Judith on 01929 480216.

regular weekly events:

Monday mornings	Purbeck Dance Studio
Monday evenings	Double Act
Monday evenings	Purbeck Chess
Tuesday mornings	Toddlers
Tuesday mornings	Yoga
Tuesday evenings	Martial Arts
Tuesday evenings	Badminton
Wednesday mornings	Purbeck Crafts
Wednesday mornings	Pilates
Wednesday evenings	Youth Club
Thursday mornings	Silver Swans adult ballet
Thursday evenings	Cubs
Thursday evenings	Alcoholics Anonymous
Friday mornings	Pilates
Friday mornings	Purbeck Dance Studio

regular monthly events:

1st Saturday morning	VH Coffee Morning
1st Sunday all day	Antiques Fair
1st Tuesday afternoon	Aquarius
1st Thursday evening	Gardening Club
2nd Monday evening	Parish Council
3rd Wednesday morning	Carers' Support (P Jones)
3rd Friday afternoon	Citizen's Advice bus
final Thursday morning	CC Carers Time

Artsreach this month

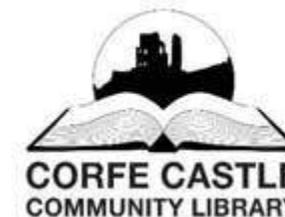
On Saturday December 16th we are pleased to welcome the vocal harmony group **Vri** to the village hall. Jordan Price Williams, Aneirin Jones and Patrick Rimes will entertain us with folk songs from their native Wales using powerful vocal harmonies and music from violins, cello and viola. Tickets (£12 for adults, £5 for under 18s or £30 family) available from online (Artsreach), David (07590 352219) or from the Village Shop.

Artsreach date for your 2024 diary

We have just heard from Artsreach that we can host an extra show. Bash Street Theatre's intriguingly titled "Battling Butlers" show comes to Corfe Castle on Saturday 17th February at 7.30.

To book a room at the hall, preferably use the email address david@davidjatkin.plus.com. Alternatively ring David on 07590 352219.

News from the Library



Solar Panels for the Library

In a bid to reduce the library's carbon footprint we are installing solar panels on the East-facing roof of the library. Our project has been part funded by a generous grant from Low Carbon Dorset as part of the UK Government Shared Prosperity Fund and will save over 0.7 tonnes of CO2 each year (and lower our electricity bills!).

Join us between 10.00 am and 12.00 on Saturday 23rd December for Christmas Nibbles and Drinks at the Library.



Normal Library Opening Hours

Monday 3.00 - 5.00 p.m.
Wednesday 10.00 -12.00 a.m. and 3.00 - 5.00 p.m.
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Purbeck Film Starring Local Kids

A film starring Purbeck's children has gone "on tour" after a host of schools clamored to see it.

The film, Let's Go Wild, was premiered at the recent Planet Purbeck Festival in front of a sell-out audience of 350 at Swanage's Mowlem Theatre. It was made by BBC and Netflix filmmaker Sue Western, who spent months asking scores of kids what they think about Purbeck's abundant natural resources.



Along with a talk by Springwatch TV presenter Nadeem Perera, the film was the centrepiece of the festival's main event, called A Celebration of Purbeck.

It was such a hit that several teachers asked if it could be shown at their schools. Dates were arranged with all eight primary schools in the area such as Wareham St Mary and Swanage's St Mark's, and further showings are anticipated at the Purbeck and Swanage schools for older children.



Sue Western

A delighted Sue said: "It's tempting just to post a film online but it has been immensely uplifting to watch it at communal events.

"I've found myself sitting in school halls with tea and cake alongside parents, staff and children of all ages who are seeing themselves, their siblings and friends on a big

screen. "The children's expressions when they recognise themselves or places they know are priceless."

The celebration event capped a record-breaking festival – Planet Purbeck's third – which was attended over ten days by more than 3,400 people.



More than 50 events were hosted by 90 local businesses, organisations or community groups, with funding support from the Talbot Village Trust. A survey conducted by Planet Purbeck volunteers in the aftermath found that nearly 80 per cent of those who attended agreed with the statement: "I learned something new about protecting our local environment."

More than half said they now felt more connected to the area's nature and wildlife, and nearly 60 per cent said they felt inspired to take action.



LukeMLuke

Festival organiser Luke M Luke said he was "thrilled" by the reaction.

He added: "Our festival clearly helps to ignite the magic and wonder of nature, creating enduring experiences and the

chance to discover something new."

Buoyed by the success, Luke said Planet

Purbeck's next mission is to join a project in which a host of local organisations are planning events and experiences aimed at encouraging children and young people to enjoy and get involved with nature.



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£450,000 ‘SAVE YOUR RAILWAY’
APPEAL

An appeal to raise £450,000 has been launched by the Swanage Railway Trust to help save the Dorset heritage line – rebuilt from nothing since 1976 - against a challenging background of rising operating costs and declining passenger numbers.

The ‘Save Your Railway’ appeal is aimed at boosting the financial reserves of the Swanage Railway through the early months of 2024 before the main trading season resumes in the spring.

As well as the Swanage Railway Trust launching its ‘Save Your Railway’ appeal to raise £450,000, the Swanage Railway Company – which runs the heritage steam trains on behalf of the Trust - aims to reduce operating costs by £350,000 while also working on an initiative to attract more visitors to the Isle of Purbeck during 2024. Swanage Railway Trust chairman Frank Roberts said:



*Frank Roberts Swanage Railway Trust chairman
Courtesy Andrew PM Wright*

“We are well aware that the cost-of-living crisis is affecting very many people but every pound donated to our ‘Save Your Railway’ appeal will help the Swanage Railway. “Since the Covid-19 pandemic and the war in Ukraine, the Swanage Railway has found it challenging to attract more passengers while also trying to reduce strong inflationary and economic pressures. “While our passenger numbers are recovering – more than 141,000 people so far this year compared with more than

202,000 people for the whole of 2019 - they have not returned to 2019 levels while inflation continues to increase our operating costs with the Swanage Railway having to pay more for coal, oil, water and other services. “We have also had to carry out the expensive upgrade and overhaul of a Victorian metal girder bridge, carrying the Swanage Railway over a road, near Furzebrook at the western end of our heritage line. “To increase income, we will be repositioning the Swanage Railway into a broader and more commercial visitor experience while also maintaining our heritage train business. It’s a challenge as well as an opportunity to shape the Swanage Railway for the future.

“We are working to make the Swanage Railway more efficient and effective as well as being capable of attracting increasing numbers of passengers. “We have gaps in our management structure that need to be filled by willing volunteers with relevant skills and experience.

“The longer term survival of the Swanage Railway depends on a positive and quick response to our call to arms,” added Frank who lives in Swanage and has been a dedicated Swanage Railway volunteer on the Dorset heritage line for almost 40 years. The Swanage Railway Trust has a national membership of 4,000 people while 450 people volunteer their services on the Swanage Railway - in a variety of operational, maintenance, restoration and commercial roles - so the steam trains can run.

After the ten-mile branch line from Wareham to Corfe Castle and Swanage was controversially closed by British Rail in January, 1972, most of the line was lifted. Volunteers with the Swanage Railway Society started restoration work at a disused and boarded up Swanage station in February, 1976. The first diesel trains ran over a few hundred yards of track at Swanage in 1979 with the first steam trains appearing at the restored Victorian station in 1980. In 1984, the train service was extended out of Swanage station to the one-mile point at Herston where a halt was built while the track was relayed further westwards. Steam trains were extended to the three-mile point at Harman’s Cross in 1989 where another station was built – the first in Dorset in more than half a century. Steam trains returned to Corfe Castle and Norden in 1995 and by 2002 the Swanage Railway had relaid a total of almost seven miles of track from Swanage so the heritage line could meet the national railway network at Furzebrook.



LSWR T3 No. 563 of 1893 Corfe Castle Swanage Railway - courtesy Andrew PM Wright

Anyone interested in finding out more about volunteering should contact the Swanage Railway volunteer recruitment and retention officer Lisa Gravett on 01929 475212 or email iwanttovolunteer@swanagerailway.co.uk. Details about volunteering can also be found at swanagerailwaytrust.org/volunteering.

Donations to the Swanage Railway Trust’s £450,000 ‘Save Your Railway’ appeal can be made on-line at swanagerailwaytrust.enthuse.com/saveyourrailway while cheques can be sent to the Swanage Railway Trust, Station House, Swanage, Dorset, BH19 1HB marked ‘Save Your Railway Appeal’.

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CORFE VALLEY NEWS

CALENDAR for DECEMBER 2023

Please check timings and other details with the information available elsewhere in this magazine or with the organisers.

If you know about any forthcoming events please let us know.

2	December	Saturday	12.30 – 1.45 pm	Soup and Pud – Corfe Castle Village Hall
2	December	Saturday	4 pm	Grand switch on of lights and arrival of Santa – Corfe Castle square
2	December	Saturday	6 pm	From Darkness to Light Advent Service – St James, Kingston
2 – 4	December	Saturday – Monday	10 am – 5 pm	Christmas Tree Festival St Georges Langton Matravers
3	December	Sunday	6.30 pm	Kimmeridge lights switch on.
4	December	Monday	6.30 pm	Kimmeridge Bingo – Kimmeridge Village Hall
5	December	Tuesday	2 pm	Christmas decorations and festive cakes – Corfe Castle Village Hall
7	December	Thursday	7.30 pm	Gardening Club Christmas get together – Corfe Castle Village Hall
8	December	Friday	7.30 pm	Keilidh – Kimmeridge Village Hall at Etches collection.
9	December	Saturday	7.30 pm	Belvedere Singers Christmas Concert – St Marys Swanage
10	December	Sunday	11.15 am	Carols at Kingston – St James, Kingston
11	December	Monday	7 pm	Corfe Castle Parish Council meeting – Corfe Castle Village Hall
12	December	Tuesday	6.30 pm	Church Knowle Parish Council meeting – Furzebrook Village hall
15 - 16	December	Friday/Saturday		Santa's Sleigh and Carol Singing around the village
16	December	Saturday	2 pm	Harmony Rocks Choir – St James, Kingston.
16	December	Saturday	7.30 pm	Artsreach production of Vri – Corfe Castle Village Hall
17	December	Sunday	10.30 am	Primary School choir at St Edwards for Lessons and carols
23	December	Saturday	10 am – 12 midday	Christmas drinks and nibbles in the library.

All details are correct as at publishing date, but please check with the organization involved before attending any events.

18	January 2024	Thursday	7.15 for 7.30 pm	Corfe Castle EG presentation - Smiling Seas Project – Mortons Manor
8	January	Monday	7 pm	Double Act read through of This Secret Isle – Corfe Castle Village Hall
15	January	Monday	7 pm	Double Act read through of This Secret Isle – Corfe Castle Village Hall

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Church of England

St Aldhelm's Benefice

Contact Details for St Aldhelm's Benefice

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Curate Nick Webb 07866 546162 fulloflifegardens@googlemail.com

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Church Wardens in the Valley Churches

Corfe Castle: Penelope Smith 480109 John Lindsay 481498

Visit St Edwards Website - <http://stedwardscofecastle.co.uk/>

The Reverend Anne Bond writes

Well, here we are, into the count-down until Christmas! Only two or three more panic-filled weeks to get rude t-shirts for brothers-in-law, yet more socks for Grandad, luxury black underwear for the wife (or would that lovely purple-and-gold shortie-nighty-thingy with feathers be better?) and of course hand-held electronic digital wots-its for the children plus a frozen-solid turkey and gallons of whisky-infused Christmas Trifle. (And might the Food Bank do Prosecco?)

I joke. Not very well. Sorry. I'm trying to illustrate how easy it is to get so carried away by the pressure of Christmas expectations, we forget what it is we are actually celebrating. Contrary to what we see on our tv screens, it is not a white-bearded fat man in a red suit coming down the chimney to fill children's Christmas stockings, nor is it the spirit of Christmas cheer and good

will as a whole month of Christmas Disney films would have us believe – although they do have a point. No. What we commemorate at Christmas is the real-life birth-story of the baby boy, the infant Jesus Christ, who brought into the world the idea that Love-in-Action is more effective in every way than Thump the Blighter Until He Squeaks.

Before the birth of Jesus in long ago Palestine, it was taken for granted, more or less everywhere, that in every possible circumstance Force would win. He who hit hardest would always be the victor. It was common sense. It was human nature.

At a time when gods were two-a-penny all over the known world, Judaism was the only religious system to understand that the One and Only True and Effective God is not bound by the limitations of space and time but is pure spirit; and that we mere mortals are made ‘in the image of God’. In other words, each of us has within us something of the same spirit of which GOD is composed. Which, as God is understood to be all powerful, is perhaps why as a species we apparently found it acceptable to exercise physical power so mercilessly.

However, the adult Jesus taught ‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength and love your neighbour as yourself’. Not Love as a feeling, an emotion, but a robust attitude of unselfishness resulting in generosity, behaviour leading away from violence and towards self-giving, compassion and identifying with the concerns of others.

Christianity, the faith system based on the teachings of Jesus Christ, is grounded in, and founded on, Love-in-Action. What we are celebrating at Christmas is the birth of the baby who became the Christ after whom Christmas is named, the originator of the movement away from violence and towards love.

In this 21st century, I think we need Love-in Action as much as it has ever been needed at any time.

With love, Anne

Bible Readings - December 2023

3rd December First Sunday of Advent
 Isaiah 64:1-9
 1 Corinthians 1:3-9
 Mark 13:24-37

10th December Second Sunday of Advent
 Isaiah 40:1-11
 2 Peter 3:8-15a
 Mark 1:1-8

17th of December	Third Sunday of Advent Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 John 1:6-8,19-28
24th of December	4th Sunday of Advent - Christmas Eve 2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16 Romans 16:25-27 Luke 1:26-38
25th December	Christmas Day Isaiah 52:7-10 Hebrews 1:1-4, (5-12) John 1:1-14
31st of December	First Sunday after Christmas Isaiah 61:10-62:3 Galatians 4v4-7 Luke 2v 15-21.
7th January 2024	First Sunday after the Epiphany Genesis 1:1-5 Acts 19:1-7 Mark 1:4-11

Sunday Services in December 2023

Sunday 3 December	Advent
Corfe Castle Holy Communion 10.30am - Anne Bond	
Advent Service: From Darkness to Light Kingston 6pm Becca Charron	
Sunday 10 December	Advent 2
Steeple - Holy Communion 9.30am - Hugh Maddox	
Corfe Castle - Morning Prayer 10.30am - Worship Team	
Kingston - Informal Worship with Christmas Carols 11.15am - Becca Charron	
Sunday 17 December	Advent 3
Corfe Castle - Lessons and Carols 10.30am - Worship Team	
Harmans Cross - Evening Prayer 6pm - Anne Bond	

Sunday 24 December Christmas Eve. Advent 4

Kingston - Benefice Communion 10.30am - Nick Webb

Corfe Castle - Christingle 4pm - Dawn Lindsay

Kimmeridge - Lessons and Carols 6pm TBA

Corfe Castle - Midnight Communion 11.30pm - Anne Bond

Monday 25 December Christmas Day

Steeple - Christmas Worship 9.30am - Patrick Ward

Corfe Castle - Christmas Morning Worship 11am

Sunday 31 December Christmas 1

Church Knowle - Benefice Communion 10.30am - Anne Bond

Sunday 7 January Epiphany

Corfe Castle - Holy Communion 10.30am Anne Bond

Please join us on Sunday 17th December at St Edward's Church, where the school choir will join in with the annual Carol Service.

Decorating St Edwards for Christmas

We will be decorating the church for Christmas on Saturday 23rd December in the morning 09-30 to midday. All are welcome to join us; coffee and biscuits available to aid inspiration. Greenery, holly, variegated foliage etc are needed if you have any spare in your garden.

If you cannot be with us please leave any foliage in a bucket in the kitchen beforehand.

Hope to see you

Jill Revans Tel. 01929-480852

From Darkness to Light Advent Service St James's Kingston

December 2nd 6.00pm

This is a traditional service and starts in darkness with just a few candles. Advent is a reflective time of year in the church calendar when we can pause and prepare for the celebration of the Nativity of Christ at Christmas. It also

gives time for us to think what the festive season is really about. All are welcome to join us, with mulled wine and mince pies after the service!



**Carols at Kingston
St James December 10th 11.15**

The Informal Service this month will be Carols and Seasonal Readings.

Followed by festive mulled wine and mince pie!

All are Welcome.



St Aldhelms Christmas Tree Festival

With just a few weeks to go before we hit the final month of this year, no doubt it will be a busy time for most of us, but there will be times to switch off from the hustle and bustle a time to relax and enjoy some peaceful moments. Why not spend some of those moments at the St Aldhelm Christmas tree festival, This is now the seventh year that Sandy and myself have run this event with the sole aim of raising funds for worthwhile charities that are not widely known, this year we have chosen and East Dorset and New Forest Motor Neuron Disease Association. We raise money by the sale of refreshments and donations given at the event, last year we sold almost £700 worth of tea and cake therefore we are looking for anyone who can donate cakes for the event.

We have a great line-up of music for this year including U3A Ukulele Group, Ratties Acoustic Club, the Mayday Singers, the Swanage Recorder Group and many more, the full program will be available on our website and Facebook pages nearer the time.

As usual there will be around thirty trees all individually decorated so do come along and support us at St George's Church, Langton Matravers entry is free we open from 10am till 5pm 2nd – 4th December. If you wish to help out in anyway please contact Sandy 01929 424431

<https://staldhelmxmastreefestival.wordpress.com>

Colin GarnerST.

St Peter's Church - Church Knowle

St. Peter's PCC would like everyone in the community to know that they are working hard to activate repairs on the Chancel roof of St. Peter's in Church Knowle. The process of obtaining permissions and the authorisation to undertake repairs has taken far longer than expected, while weather conditions have continued to worsen. It is a highly unsatisfactory situation. The Diocesan Advisory Committee is the guiding body which will authorise the work, which we anticipate will begin in the new year.



Advent at Kingston

St James's Church

Sunday 3rd December 6.0pm

A service of seasonal readings music and hymns,
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Do join us!



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Corfe Castle Evangelical Congregational Church

Peace

We all would like peace, but just recently we have been battered by storms that have been hitting Great Britain and floods that have caused so much devastation. Many homes have been ruined.... and wars that have started in Israel where Hamas has attacked and committed terrible crimes on Israel and Israel retaliating by bombing Gaza. Many people today pray for peace as Christmas approaches. It is a time for families to get together giving out presents... Christmas trees, tinsel, and Christmas dinner for us to enjoy around the table.

Yet we have been given the greatest gift of Gods only Son, coming into the world, born in a stable to help us and save us from our sinful ways. We can miss the revelation of why Jesus came into the world and the real meaning of Christmas.

I am preparing for the Remembrance Service at the moment. The Poppy and the Cross are both connected. They are a symbol of sacrifice but the poppy supports a peaceful future, but we who are Christians remember Jesus, not as a baby at Christmas but on the cross, dying to save us from our sinful ways and how it is a divine exchange because Jesus took the punishment from us and put it on Himself, We are saved because he took our sins and we are restored and forgiven if we believe and receive Jesus into our hearts, then we are healed. He is called *'the Prince of peace that passes all understanding'* - Philippians Chapter 4 verse 7.

Peace is something we all desire with our health, family, a noisy neighbour, people who are not nice to us and wars in the world. It's just not nice not to have peace. It causes stress and anxiety. John 16:33 says *'I have told you these things so that in me you may find peace. In the world you will have troubles, but take heart I have overcome the world'*.

Sometimes it's good to reflect and thank God for what we do have in life and what God has done through Jesus His Son.

Corfe Castle Evangelical Congregational Church wish you all a Peaceful Christmas and a very Happy New Year.

God Bless, Tim

Please join us for 2 Special Services in December.

SERVICE WITH A CHRISTMASSY THEME

Sunday 10th December ... at 4pm

With Coffee and Mince Pies after the service.

CANDLELIGHT CAROL SERVICE on Sunday 17th December... at 6pm for Mulled Wine, with coffee & Mince Pies after the service
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KRAFTY KAPERS £1 - Thursday 7th December 2pm - 4pm

COFFEE MORNING Saturdays December 9th & 16th

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Notices and Thanks

Corfe Castle Gardening Club.

There was no invited speaker for our meeting in November but our GARDENING GET-TOGETHER was a great success. We looked at some of our member's beautiful gardens showing just how many late summer and autumn plants are still bringing colour, shape and structure to our gardens.

Hazel felt a little like Kathy Clugston inviting questions from our members and there was a good variety of problems and useful advice from our members on subjects as varied as box blight, vine weevils and water. We will repeat this next year, perhaps for a different season.

Thursday December 7th. Members will have been contacted about our Christmas get-together in the Village Hall and the details have been sent out by e-mail. We will all be bringing food and drink to share and we will be having a demonstration from Cathy Nix from Dorset Dried Flowers. This year she will be showing us how to make a festive table decoration and this will then be raffled. There will also be a general raffle. Please bring your food at 6.30 for 6.45 pm. It should be a very convivial evening.

There will be no meeting in January but we are planning the programme of events for next year and we would welcome ideas from members so that we have a varied season. So please let Hazel, Chris or Joy know of any subjects you would like to learn more about and any ideas for visits.

Meetings usually take place in the Village Hall, Corfe Castle, starting at 7.30 pm for coffee and starting the programme at 8pm. Non-members are welcome to join us for a small fee if they are interested in a particular talk. If you are interested in joining us please contact Chris Clarke on 01929 480095 or 07815 058880.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas and Happy Gardening in 2024!

Chris Clarke



Citizens Advice – Here for Local Residents

With the on-going cost of living crisis, many people are increasingly worried about how they are going to pay bills, heat their home and put food on the table.

Citizens Advice in East Dorset and Purbeck would like to remind residents to seek help early on and that we are here to offer free advice and support.

Experienced advisers are available to provide support about a wide range of issues including, debt, energy advice, employment, benefits and housing. There is a range of support available particularly to low income households which many residents may not know about.

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Drop-in Locations

Local residents can call into one of the drop-in sessions at the following locations. Advice is free and no appointment is necessary:

- Swanage Library - Wednesday 10am-12pm (except first Wednesday of the month)
- Herston Village Hall, Swanage – Monday 10am-2pm
- Wareham Citizens Advice – Tuesday & Thursday, 10am-12pm
- Lytchett Matravers Library - Friday 10am-12noon
- Lytchett Minster & Upton Town Council – Tuesday 10am-12pm
- Upton Library – Wednesday 2pm-4pm
- Wimborne Citizens Advice - Monday & Wednesday, 10am-12pm
- Ferndown Library - Tuesday & Friday, 10am-2pm
- The Centre, Barns Road, Ferndown - Thursday, 10am-2pm

And by appointment only at:

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For details of all of our outreach and drop-in locations visit

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REMEMBRANCE 2023

Thank you to all those who supported the Royal British Legion's Remembrance events in and around Corfe Castle in November. Whether you were buying or selling poppies, laying a wreath, planting crosses, providing the



bells and music, officiating at a service, or simply supporting one of the events by attending, we are grateful for your continued support. We haven't yet finished counting up but we will let you know how much you have raised in next month's issue. Thank you again.

George Preston, President and John Patterson, Chairman – Corfe Castle RBL

Corfe Castle Football Club

U17 girls have only played 3 games so far this season and have been consistently good. They have 5 away matches before Christmas .. all over Dorset , with their next home game on the 6th January

1st team are mid table after 8 games with a great cup win on the 11th November on penalties after the match finished 3-3. Next home games 25th November and the 2nd December

Vets are 4 games in and they have won all 4 ..top of the table clash v Merley Cobham away on the 3rd December..

Thanks to everyone involved with the running of the football club as without you there would be no football club ... Happy Christmas and Up The Castle 🏰

Pat Ward - Chairman

Purbeck Christmas Tree Festivals

This year two local Christmas Tree Festivals are being planned.

From 2nd – 4th December there is the St Aldhelm Christmas Tree Festival held at St George's Church in Langton Matravers, there will be plenty of entertainment and refreshments available from 10am till 5pm. This year's event will be raising money for Mosaic and East Dorset & New Forest Motor Neurone Disease Association. Sponsor forms and further information contact Colin Garner 01929 424431 colin@gizimodo.co.uk or from <https://staldhelmxmastreefestival.wordpress.com>

Then, on Thursday 7th, Friday 8th and Saturday 9th December from 10am each day, it is the Purbeck Christmas Tree Festival at Emmanuel Baptist Church, Swanage. There is also a Remembrance Service called 'Lights of Love' at 4pm on Sunday 10th December.

There will be a warm welcome and everyone can wander through the trees, enjoy seasonal refreshments, listen to local talented musicians and singers with activities for children of all ages, and stories in the stable for the younger children. There is no entrance fee, and any donations go to local charities.

If you want to book a tree to decorate the closing date for Swanage is Monday 13th November apply for a sponsor form to Janet Norley at administrator@emmanuelbc.org.uk or leave a message with your details on the church answerphone 01929 427706.

There will also be a Tree of Remembrance outside of Emmanuel Baptist Church on which people can put named ribbons of loved ones they wish to remember at Christmastime.

Hope to see you there.

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Harmony Rocks Choir

Remember, remember 16 December! Why you may ask? Because that is the date for our Singing for Christmas event at St James' Church, Kingston on the Saturday afternoon at 2 until 3 pm.

We will be singing some traditional songs known and loved by us all, plus some nostalgic songs to celebrate the season and some really fun songs too. Of course there will be our unique finale to surprise you, and also the draw for our charity raffle in support of the Greengage Community Garden and St James' Church (raffle tickets available on the door). Light refreshments will round off the afternoon.

This is a free entry event with a retiring collection for donations to the above charities. So do come along for just an hour or so, forget the hustle and bustle of life, and enjoy the show!!

See you there.

Hey! Ding-a-ding, the Belvederes are ready to sing!

Swanage-based choir Belvedere Singers are practising hard for their annual Christmas concert, which this year will be on Saturday 9th December at 7.30pm.

The evening will have all the usual elements that make Belvedere concerts that little bit different; an enjoyable mix of traditional and newer carols and Christmas songs plus a few surprises! The concert title is taken from one of the pieces to be performed: Throw Open Your Shutters, which is a lively Festive Madrigal. Be prepared for some more unusual pieces that you may not have heard before too, as Music Director Clive Watkiss demonstrates that he is keen to widen the choir's repertoire. Audience participation in some well-known carols will of course be included, together with some rousing organ pieces by Colin Burgess, who is making a welcome return after his lovely playing last year.

There will be a retiring collection for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance. This beneficiary was a popular choice with choir members, who very much hope their efforts will encourage generous donations from the audience.

As always the concert will be at St. Mary's Church in Kings Road, Swanage. Tickets are just £7 and are available from choir members or on the door. Under 18's free.

If you would like to know more about the Belvedere Singers, please take a look at their website (www.belvederesingers.org.uk) or Facebook page (The Belvedere Singers). New members are always welcome. They rehearse on Tuesday evenings in term time at Emanuel Baptist Church, Victoria Avenue, Swanage.

Rotary Charity Christmas Mail 2023

We can deliver your Christmas cards to local friends and family for only 40p per card!

Harlees Fish Restaurant at the sea end of Station Road will once again host our Swanage office, which will be manned daily between 11am and 3pm.

Outlying collection boxes will be located in Studland Stores, Corfe Bakery, Trevor's Deli in Langton and The Grand Hotel.

Collections commence on Friday 1st December and close at 3pm on Friday 15th December.

Any queries to Ali Arnold 07917003818. 📞

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Purbeck Mummers

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12 mid-day Corfe Castle Square 12.30pm The Fox

1.00 pm The Bankes Hotel 1.30pm Castle Inn

2.15pm The Square and Compass



We will also be out on the 10th of December in Wareham from about midday until late afternoon. We should be performing inside the Quay Inn, The Horse and Groom, The Duke of Wellington etc

More performances may be added so please check our web site.

As Mummers are not very tame, all times are approximately just in case we get lost between pubs.

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Kimmeridge News

Kimmeridge Coastguard Team

After 25 years service with the Kimmeridge Team, Martin Coward has stepped down as a Coastguard. We will certainly miss him and give him our heartfelt thanks for all his hard work over the years as a Coastguard and more recently as Deputy Station Officer. Enjoy your well-deserved time not “on call”!



Christmas Tree Lights & Carols

On Sunday 3rd December at 6:30pm we will be switching on the Christmas Tree Lights and singing carols round the tree – followed by mulled wine & mince pies to warm us up!

Bingo!

The annual Kimmeridge Bingo is on Monday 4th Dec in the Village Hall. Doors open 6:30pm. Eyes Down at 7:00pm. Tickets on the door.

Kimmeridge Keilidh

Our next Dance is on Friday December 8th at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Live music from Arish Mel with caller Teresa Williams. No Bar, so bring your own seasonal drinks & mince pies! Tickets on the door £7.50 for adults, £2.50 for children. All profits go to support Kimmeridge Village Hall & The Etches Collection.

Christmas Eve

For the first time since before covid we have our traditional Christmas Eve Nativity Service in Church at 6pm – join us for Carols & Readings.

Steve & Helen Earwicker

Eyes to the Skies

Well what an exciting few weeks for Kimmeridge Bay! Who would have thought that the bay would be hosting a plethora of rare birds, so far since mid October we have had two separate Grey Phalarope on passage from the arctic and three Little Gulls (which are the world's smallest Gull) also this week (w/c 13/11) two Common Scoter were spotted in the bay by a local birder (James, from Church Knowle).

Back at the tollgate the birds are steadily building in number, with the return of the Great Spotted Woodpecker along with flocks of Long Tailed Tit and Goldfinches and a Robin in every bush.

Along with the larger flocks as always, come the predators, so far I've had Sparrowhawk, Kestrel, Buzzard and a fleeting glimpse of a Merlin. This year

I'm hoping to entice some Brambling in with the Chaffinches that feed on the ground around the feeders, fingers crossed.

So keep up the good work by feeding the birds especially in winter and don't forget to clean the feeders regularly, always glad to hear about the birds your seeing when you're down my way.

Happy birding, cheers – **Rose Ward**

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Prawn and Crab Cocktail - Andalouse sauce, brown bread and butter (gf on request)

Five Spice Duck Salad - served on a bed of dressed leaves with a sour cherry glaze (gf)

Wild Mushroom Risotto Arancini - served with rocket, and a walnut pesto (v)

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Main Courses

Traditional Roast Turkey - apple and sage stuffing, pigs in blanket, pan gravy, cranberry sauce and bread sauce (gf on request)

Roasted Salmon with a Herb Crust - with a Champagne hollandaise sauce (gf on request)

Pork Tenderloin with an Apple and Calvados Stuffing - with a Madeira sauce

Clavells Venison Pie - with a redcurrant and port jus

Vegetable Wellington - with roasted red pepper and tomato sauce (v) (vg on request)

All served with roasted potatoes, Brussels Sprouts and garden greens, chantenay carrots, mashed swede and braised red cabbage.

Desserts

Traditional Christmas Pudding - with a brandy custard (v) (vg on request)

Apple Tarte Tatin - with a salted caramel ice cream (v)

Trio of Chocolate Mousse - on a cocoa sponge with a berry coulis (v)

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LUXURY FISHERMAN'S PIE (GF) | 23.5

Salmon, cod, prawns, white wine & leek sauce, creamy mashed potato topped with cheese, served with seasonal vegetables

COTTAGE PIE (GF) | 19

Beef mince, rich red wine, herbs, creamy mashed potato, served with seasonal vegetables

HOMEMADE CHICKEN CURRY (GF) | 18.5

Subtly spiced chicken, creamy coconut sauce, white rice, poppadom & mango chutney
Add flat bread & a yoghurt mint dip | 3

GRILLED SALMON WITH CREAMY WHITE WINE & MUSHROOM SAUCE | 24

Buttered new potatoes & seasonal vegetables

PORK SCHNITZEL | 19.5

Breaded pork loin, gourmet chips, lemon wedge & garnish
Add a creamy white wine & mushroom sauce | 3.5

SEAFOOD BASKET | 21

Breaded calamari rings, cod bites, scampi, butterfly prawns & calamari chunks, salad, lemon mayonnaise & rustic bread & butter. Add Gourmet chips | 5.5

SPINACH & RICOTTA CANNELLONI (V) | 18.5

Baked on a bed of tomato sauce, topped with a béchamel sauce & mozzarella, served with rustic bread & salad

GOATS CHEESE & MEDITERRANEAN VEGETABLE SALAD (V) (GF) | 19

Grilled goats cheese, mixed leaves, Mediterranean vegetables, vine tomatoes, dressing & balsamic glaze

MOROCCAN LAMB TAGINE (GF) | 23.5

Diced lamb, spices, butternut squash, apricots, chickpeas & couscous
Add flat bread & a yoghurt mint dip | 3



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JACKFRUIT BURGER (V) (VG) | 17.5

Toasted brioche bun, onion marmalade, tomato, lettuce & chips
Add applewood smoked cheese | 2

CHILI SIN CARNE (GF) | 17.5

5 bean Chili served on a bed of rice with tortilla chips
Add vegan cheese | 2

DESSERTS

STICKY TOFFEE PUDDING | 8.5
Served with custard

BELGIUM CHOCOLATE CHEESECAKE | 8.5
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ROAST TOPSIDE OF "KIMMERIDGE" BEEF | 19

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ROAST LEG OF "KIMMERIDGE" PORK | 18

Roast potatoes, crackling, stuffing, Yorkshire pudding, chantenay carrots, honey glazed parsnips, buttered mange tout and garden peas, braised red cabbage and mashed swede. Served with pan gravy and apple sauce.

TRADITIONAL ROAST TURKEY BREAST | 18.5

Roast potatoes, stuffing, pigs in blankets, Yorkshire pudding, chantenay carrots, honey glazed parsnips, buttered mange tout and garden peas, braised red cabbage and mashed swede. Served with pan gravy and cranberry sauce.

TRIO OF ROASTS | 22

Beef, Turkey and Pork with all of the trimmings.

VEGETABLE WELLINGTON (V)(VG on request) | 18.5

Roast potatoes, chantenay carrots, honey glazed parsnips, buttered mange tout and garden peas, braised red cabbage and mashed swede. Served with homemade gravy and cranberry sauce.

CHILDREN'S ROASTS (BEEF, TURKEY, OR PORK) | 10 (Under 12s)

DESSERTS

LEMON POSSET & SHORTBREAD (V)
(GF by request) | 8.5

CRUMBLE OF THE DAY & ICE CREAM
(GF) (VG) | 8.5

STICKY TOFFEE PUDDING & VANILLA
ICE CREAM (V) (GF) | 8.5

BELGIUM CHOCOLATE CHEESECAKE
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SOUTH COAST ICE CREAMS &
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DISARONNO AFFOGATO | 10
Espresso, vanilla ice cream, biscotti & amaretto
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The Rambling Gardener

Happy Christmas to you all and may 2024 be a good year.

Let's hope there are less wars, hurricanes, torrential rain and earthquakes and more love and peace. We need to save power so do wear wool which is much warmer than other fabrics, keep your house as cool as is comfortable, Check that no taps are left on or dripping, turn off stoves as soon as possible (before things are cooked - with the lid on they go on cooking for some time). There is much we can all do to help the environment, sorry to keep on about this but if everyone does a little bit it will be a big bit and we can all be proud of ourselves. Waste not want not, and if we share there will be enough for all.

The 22nd is the shortest day. After that everything starts to grow, and it is exciting to see what is coming. Seeds are incredible from a tiny seed - life springs into every kind of plant from a speedwell a few inches tall to large trees.

The 7 Goldfinches, that I thought had settled here for the winter, joined a charm of goldfinches last week and have all disappeared. Many small birds fly south in the winter to find more food and, having safely in numbers, they make big flocks. Mine left at dusk which may explain why their migration goes unnoticed.

Garden jobs: Put a mulch on tender perennials that are left in the ground and mulch bare land. Check that you have all the seeds you need for sowing next year and sow seed for germinating in the green house, house or propagator if they need warmth to start into growth. Prune grapes and kiwi back hard, lightly prune evergreens if they are untidy, and start the winter pruning of apple trees. It is good to plan ahead to make things to look forward to - I have planned my next holiday and am so looking forward to two weeks being spoilt! I was feeling that I wanted to hibernate but doing nothing is bad for your health! Generally, I wake up with no pains and welcome each day as a present to the future.

At this time of year, it is best to keep off the land if it is wet so there is time to do inside jobs. It is fun to use leaves and feathers to make Christmas cards, and there are many easy recipes for making Christmas gifts such as peppermint creams, fudges, home-made marzipan or cookies. I plan to make the Christmas decorations from garden plants around 10 days before Christmas. I have lots of material already collected: pampas and other grasses, and some attractive seed heads like honesty and love-in-a-mist, so if you want to come and have a go at making wreaths, table decorations, or swags I would love to see you. I just ask £10 for charity. Make time to enjoy Christmas.

All the best to you. Rachel (Tel: 01929 421681).

P.S. Think of the environment as a New Year's resolution.

Pioneer View

Dear Friends,

At the time of writing this column there are only 7 Saturdays to Christmas, this came as a sudden jolt to me, waking me up to the reality of how time seems to fly by these days.

So, a question to you, how do you spend your time? If time was money, how would you spend it? We often take time for granted and as such fail to use it wisely.

I view time as a gift and as such I am grateful for the time that is afforded to me by other people, it's such a privilege. Very often in my pastoral visits or in one of our drop-ins, I often hear carers and others say if they had their time over again, they wish they had said how much they valued or spent more time with a family member.

Christmas is on the horizon, a time to renew friendships and strengthen family ties. It offers an opportunity to address regrets and not leave us with the "if only I said "and "if only I did ".

For me, there are 4 key words that help us navigate these conversations.

Generosity, invitation, friends. thankfulness.

These words sum up the Christmas message. It challenges us to be generous, to practice hospitality to neighbours, friends, and family and finally to be thankful for our friends and family. Let's be people who take nothing for granted.

Time and family are a gift that we must all cherish. Let's us value our time with friends and family and use it wisely this Christmas.

A quote to ponder.

"Yesterday's the past, tomorrow's the future, but today is a gift. That's why it's called the present." Bill Keane

I wish you all a merry Christmas, may it be full of hope.

Go well.

Peter

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How can it already be December? By the time you read this, we will probably have the HXVH tree decorated and standing tall at the crossroads, bringing some festive cheer to those heading along Valley Road. And for those of you who want to turn off down Haycrafts Lane and come to visit the Hall, there's still plenty going on in the run up to Christmas.

Movie Night – Tuesday 12 December – The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry

Harold Fry (Jim Broadbent) is recently retired. He lives in a small English village with his wife, Maureen, who seems irritated by almost everything he does, even down to how he butters his toast. Little differentiates one day from the next. Then one morning the mail arrives with a letter addressed to Harold in a shaky scrawl from a woman he hasn't seen or heard from in twenty years. Queenie Hennessy is in hospice and is writing to say goodbye. Harold pens a reply to his old friend and former work colleague – just a few stunted lines on headed notepaper - and takes a stroll to the postbox. But for some reason he can't bring himself to post the letter.

Then a chance encounter in a petrol station gives Harold a new purpose: he decides to walk from Devon to Berwick-upon-Tweed, where Queenie is receiving palliative care in a hospice. It's an act of faith: he believes that by plodding through the B-roads of rural Britain he can save her life. His wife, Maureen (Penelope Wilton), hurt and confused by her husband's abandonment, vacuums despondently.

Live Music – Friday 15 December – The Churchfitters Christmas Show

The amazing and prodigiously talented Churchfitters – together with their array of extraordinary instruments – are back at HXVH. But tickets are already selling fast so please go to the special events section of our website at <https://www.harmanscrosshall.co.uk/Special-Events/>

Christmas Carol Service – Sunday 17 December at 6pm

Everyone is welcome to join us for a traditional Christmas Carol service followed by mince pies, mulled wine and probably some other goodies as well.

Thank you for reading and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Alison and the HXVH Committee

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REGULAR EVENTS AT THE HALL

MONDAY

- **Ballet** – Miranda Hindson telephone 07919441836
mjballet@gmail.com
- **Short Mat Bowls @ 14:00** – warehambowls@gmail.com
- **Shotokan Karate** – www.warehamskc.co.uk

TUESDAY

- **Short Mat Bowls @ 14:00** – warehambowls@gmail.com
- **Pilates** – Alex Moore telephone 07536103364
almoore1@live.co.uk

WEDNESDAY

- **Say so Drama 10:30 – 12.00** Adults with learning difficulties -
Emma 07725942609
- **Yoga** - Pam Steele – 01929 556714 steelepamela08@gmail.com

THURSDAY

- **Shotokan Karate** - www.warehamskc.co.uk

FRIDAY

- **Weekly Health Qigong Fitness 9.30 & 10.45 am** – Penny Youssef
07969925502
- **Short Mat Bowls @ 14:00** – warehambowls@gmail.com

SUNDAY

- **Purbeck Antiques** Last Sunday of each month – 01929 761398

MEETINGS OF CHURCH KNOWLE PARISH COUNCIL at Furzebrook Village Hall

**TUESDAY 11th APRIL 2023, TUESDAY 13th JUNE 2023, TUESDAY
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**Parish meetings in MAY, JULY, SEPTEMBER AND NOVEMBER
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commencing 18:30 at the Church Knowle Village Hall**

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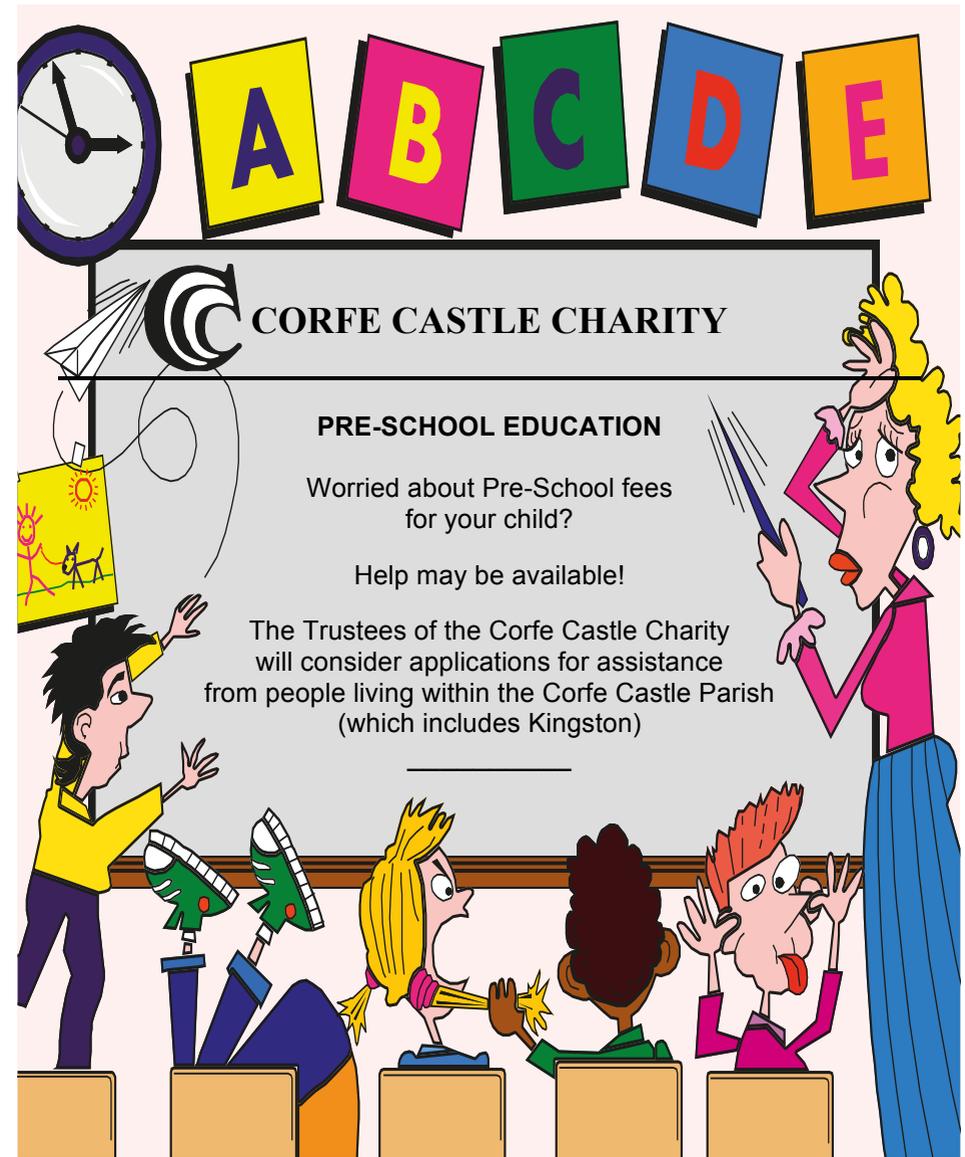
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	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
MONDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	10.00-11.00am	Coffee Morning	Springwell Close
Each	2.30 - 4.30	Whist and tea	Springwell Close
Each	10am – 1pm	Pottery Class	Furzebrook Studios
1st	7pm	Double Act	C C Village Hall
2 nd	7pm	CC Parish Council	C C Village Hall
TUESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	9.15 – 10.45am	& 11am – 12 Yoga	Langton Scout Hut
Each	9.30 - 11.30	Intermediate yoga	Swanage - 477169
Each	10.30-noon	Parent & Child Group	C C Village Hall
Each	6.15-7.45pm	Brownies (term-time)	C C Village Hall
Each	6.30 – 7.30pm	Adult Ballroom Dance	C C Village Hall Donna 01202 243803
Each	7.45 – 9.15pm	Badminton	C C Village Hall
1st	2 pm	Aquarius	C C Village Hall
2 nd	7.30pm	CK parish Council	Odd months Furzebrook VH; even CK
WEDNESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	9.30am- noon	Intermediate yoga	Kimmeridge 477169
Each	9.45am-12.45	Wool Workshop	C.C. Village Hall
Each	7-9pm	Youth Club	C C Village Hall
Each	8.30	Poker	Corfe Castle Club
THURSDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	10.00 - 11.30am	Busy Bees	CC Primary School
3rd	11.30am	Probus Club	Mortons Manor
3rd	7 pm	CC Environment Gp	Mortons Manor
Each	6.30 – 8.00 pm	Yoga (439041)	Harmans Cross VH
Each	10.00 – 1.0 pm	Pottery Class	Furzebrook Studios
Alternate	7.30pm	Bingo	C C Village Hall
FRIDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	10am – 1pm	Pottery Classes	Furzebrook Studios
Each	8.30pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Club
SATURDAY			
1st	10.30am	Village Coffee Morning	C C Village Hall
SUNDAY			
Each	1.00pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Club

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